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SUBJECT:TROPICAL PRODUCTS NEGOTIATIONS--MEXICO

REF: GENEVA 7473

1. REVISED DRAFT AGREEMENT BEING HAND CARRIED BY HARVEY
BALE TO GENEVA. SPECIFIC MEXICAN SUGGESTIONS HANDED US IN
SPANISH HAVE BEEN TAKEN CARE OF, WE BELIEVE, THROUGH REVI-
SIONS IN TEXT AGREED TO IN MEXICO CITY. IF MEXICANS STILL
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INSIST ON CHANGES OF A NON-SUBSTANTIVE NATURE, DELEGATION
SHOULD BE ABLE TO HANDLE.

2. WE PREFER TO MAINTAIN PRODUCT PACKAGE AS ALREADY AGREED
TO SINCE IT PROVIDES FOR MAXIMUM LIBERALIZATION AND, GIVEN
THE BALANCE OF INTERESTS IT REPRESENTS IN THE U.S., IT IS
VERY DIFFICULT TO UNRAVEL. IF, HOWEVER, MEXICANS INSIST ON

WITHDRAWING PRODUCTS FROM THE OFFER LIST IN EXCHANGE FOR WITHDRAWALS ON OUR LIST, INTERAGENCY GROUP WILL CONSIDER SUCH A PROPOSAL. THE MEXICAN PROPOSAL CONTAINED IN THE REFTEL IS CLEARLY LESS DESIREABLE THAN THE ORIGINAL LIST OF CONCESSIONS SINCE THE MEXICAN WITHDRAWAL OF POULTRY FEEDERS, SHELL EGGS, TRANSMISSION ROLLER CHAINS, AND THE REDUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF GUARANTEED LICENSES FOR POPCORN REDUCES THE BENEFITS TO THE UNITED STATES. HOWEVER, NO DECISION WILL BE MADE ON THE ACCEPTABILITY OF EVEN THIS PROPOSAL UNTIL WE

HAVE PURSUED ALL POSSIBILITIES OF (1) ACCEPTING THE CURRENT PACKAGE WITHOUT WITHDRAWALS, OR (2) HAVING A BETTER BALANCE THAN THAT PROPOSED BY THE MEXICAN WITHDRAWALS.

3. MEXICAN INFORMAL PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT ON AC MOTORS TO REDUCE DUTIES TO EITHER 40 PERCENT OR 25 PERCENT ON MOTORS BETWEEN 100-200 KG, TO BE PUT INTO EFFECT AFTER TRADE FIGURES AVAILABLE, IS ACCEPTABLE ON ASSUMPTION THAT 20-100 KGS OFFER ON AC MOTORS REMAINS AS IS. ALSO ACCEPTABLE IN PACKAGE IS EXTENSION OF MELONS DATE TO MARCH 31 IN EXCHANGE FOR INCREASED OFFER ON LEMON OIL AND FRUIT COCKTAIL.

4. U.S. DEL AUTHORIZED TO INITIAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING IF THE CURRENT PACKAGE WITHOUT WITHDRAWALS IS CONFIDENTIAL

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MAINTAINED. IF, HOWEVER, A DIFFERENT PACKAGE OF CONCESSIONS IS WORKED OUT TENTATIVELY WITH THE MEXICANS, IT SHOULD BE RETURNED TO WASHINGTON FOR APPROVAL BEFORE INITIALING THE MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING.

5. NOTE: COMMERCE'S APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE AC MOTOR PROPOSAL AS BEING ACCEPTABLE IS CONTINGENT UPON FURTHER RESEARCH INCLUDING CHECKING WITH THE ISAC. FINAL DECISION WILL BE AVAILABLE BY END OF NEXT WEEK. CHRISTOPHER

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